An implemention of the X-FEM for eulerian solid-mechanics

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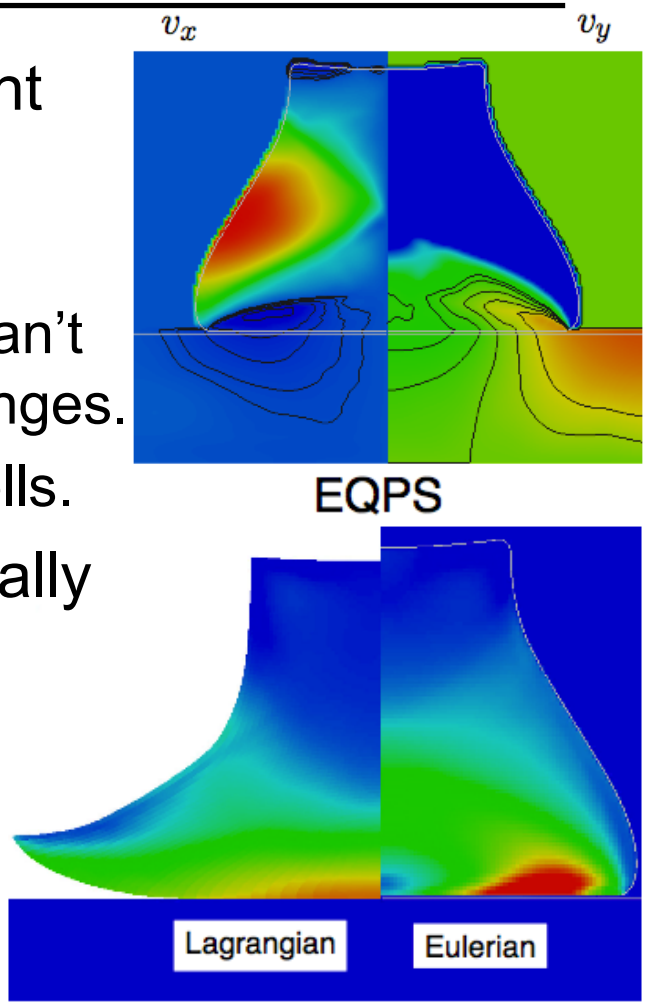
Previous approaches for mixed material cells are problematic for some physics:

- Multi-material problems with significant vorticity/distortion:
  - Lagrangian approaches tangle.
  - Arbitrary Lagrangian Eulerian (ALE) can't merge materials without topology changes.
  - Eulerian approach produces mixed-cells.
- Current mixed-cell approaches generally assume materials are "well" mixed:
  - Assume "equilibrated" state
  - Single velocity/displacement field
  - Lack of intra-element interfaces

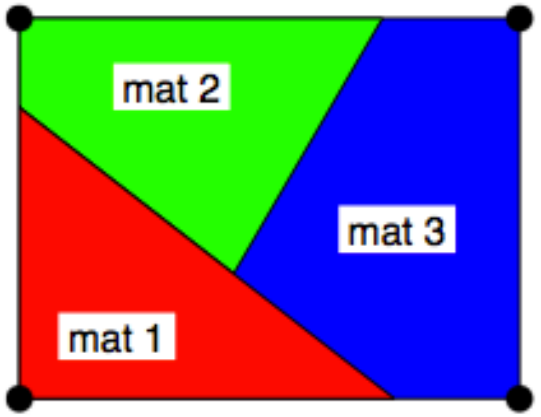


Lagrangian step requires closure model(s) for mixed-cell properties:

$$\mathbf{a}^n = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\left[\mathbf{f}_{hg}^n + \mathbf{f}_{ext}^n - \int_\Omega \mathbf{B}^t \sigma^n\right]$$

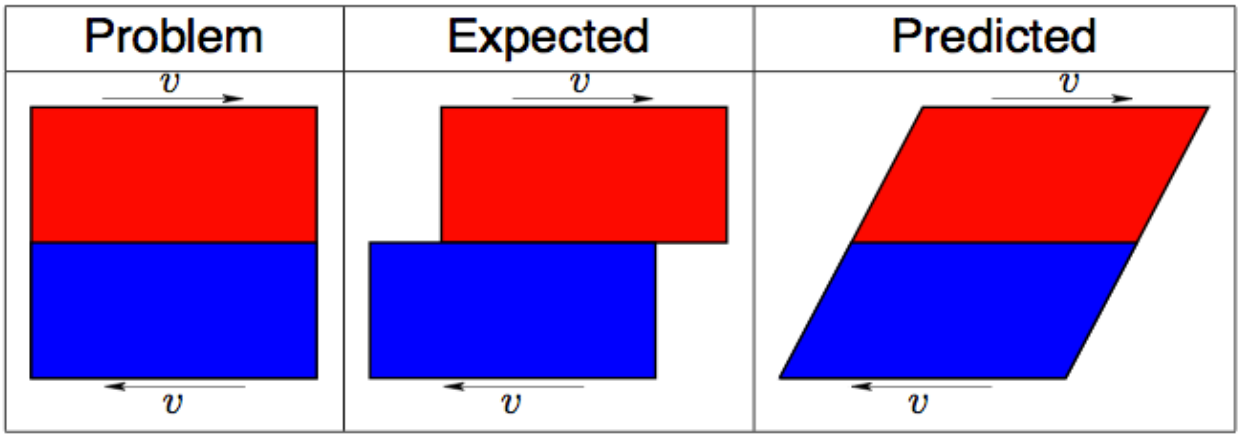
$$\mathbf{v}^{n+1/2} = \mathbf{v}^{n-1/2} + \overline{\Delta t}\,\mathbf{a}^n \qquad \mathbf{x}^{n+1} = \mathbf{x}^n + \overline{\Delta t}\,\mathbf{v}^{n+1/2}$$

$$\mathbf{D}^{n+1/2} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\mathbf{L}^t + \mathbf{L}\right)^{n+1/2} \qquad \mathbf{D}_m = \mathcal{F}\left(\mathbf{D}, etc...\right)$$



$$\sigma_m^{n+1} = \mathcal{M}_m\left(\sigma_m^n, \mathbf{D}_m^{n+1/2}, etc...\right) \qquad e^{n+1} = e^n + \overline{\Delta t} m^{-1} \int_\Omega \sigma_m^n : \mathbf{D}_m^{n+1/2}$$

$$\sigma = \mathcal{G}\left(\sigma_m, etc...\right)$$



Why X-FEM:

- Mechanism for intra-element material interfaces.
- Retains base FEM convergence properties.
- Large literature base for X-FEM in context of large deformation, explicit lagrangian mechanics.
- Beginning to be adapted to “operator-split” multi-material eulerian solid-mechanics [VB06; DLZRM10]:
  - explicit (central difference) lagrangian solve,
  - followed by data transfer “remap” to “better” mesh.

Goal is to develop capability for (unmixed) intra-element material physics…

- as a surface phenomenon
- with merging interfaces and fixed mesh topologies
- distinct velocity/displacement fields per material
- while maintaining advantages of current explicit-dynamics code-base
- and capitalizing on existing infrastructure.

We follow the XFEM decomposition approach [HH04, SAB06] …

Multi-material enriched element equivalent to multiple single-material elements:

$$u^h(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_I u_I^0 N_I(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_m \sum_J u_J^m N_J(\mathbf{x}) H_m(\mathbf{x})$$

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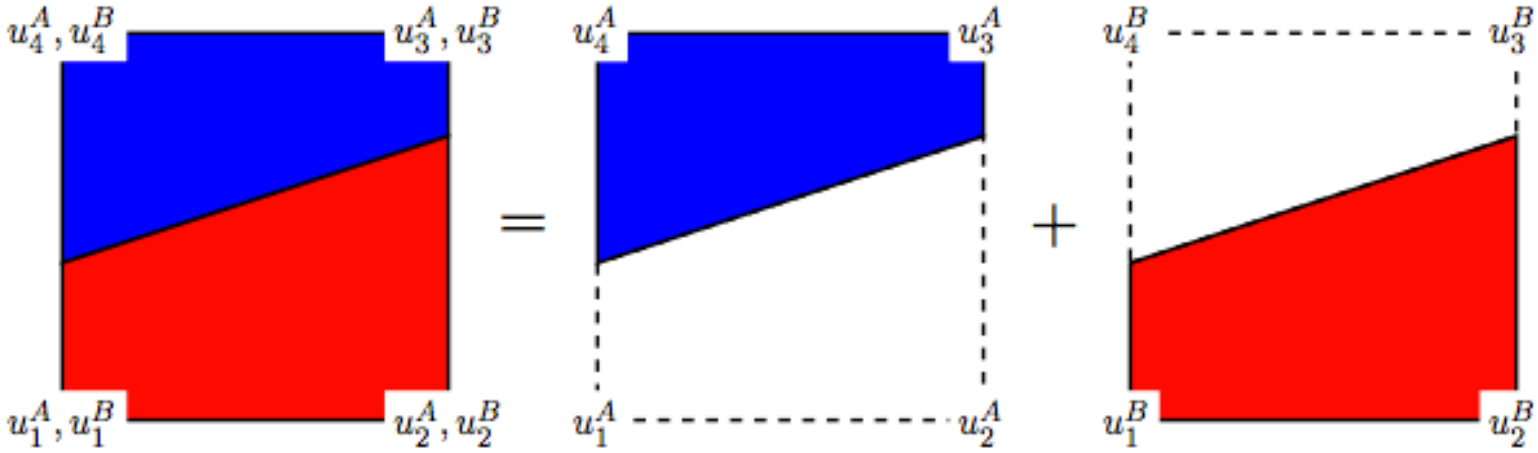

Data transfer can be accomplished in a number of ways:

- With the goal of preserving some key features:
  - Conserve mass, momentum and internal energy.
  - Do not create new minima and maxima (TVD).
  - Volume fractions sum to one after remap.
- Options include:
  - Interpolation (violates conservation) [DLZRM10]
  - Projection methods (violates conservation and TVD)
  - Geometric intersection with Van Leer limiting
    - conservation is built in.
    - limiting controls production of minima and maxima.

Geometric intersection with Van Leer limiting in two dimensions (1):

- Taylor Series provides functional form on donor mesh:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \bar{f}_e + (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_e)^t \mathbf{G}_e + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_e)^t \mathbf{H}_e (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_e)^t - \chi$$

first- second- third-order

χ provides conservation:

$$\bar{f}_e A_e = \int f(\mathbf{x}) d\Omega_e \Rightarrow \chi = \frac{1}{2A_{e\cap m}} \int (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_e)^t \mathbf{H}_e (\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}_e^t) d\Omega_e$$

- Gradients/hessians computed as [DK87]:

$$\mathbf{G}_n = \frac{1}{A_n} \oint \bar{f}_e \, d\mathbf{S}_n$$

$$\mathbf{G}_e = \frac{1}{A_e} \sum_n A_{n\cap e} \mathbf{G}_n$$

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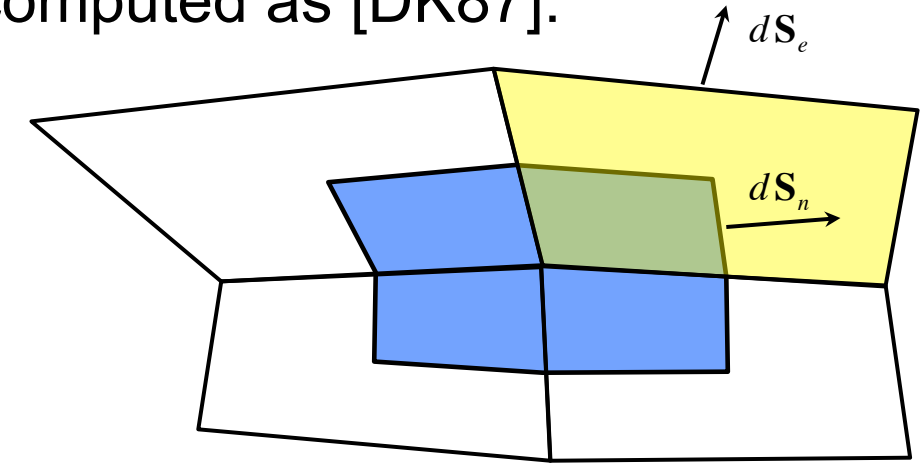


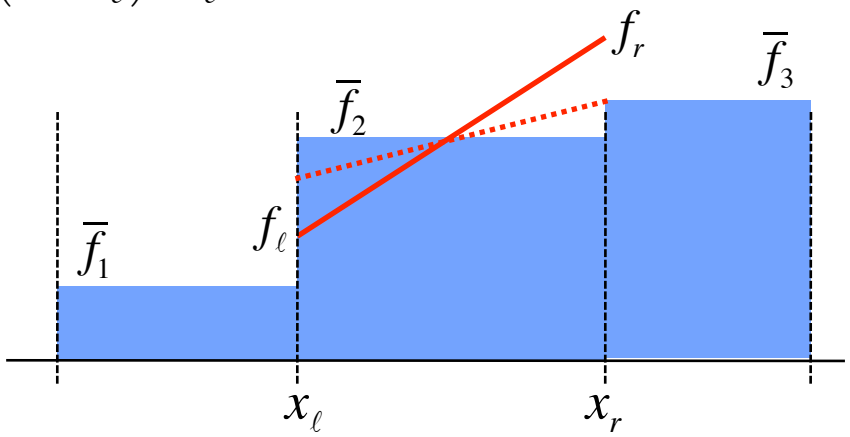
Geometric intersection with Van Leer limiting in two dimensions (2):

- Scale gradient to enforce monotonicity:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \bar{f}_e + s_G (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_e)^t \mathbf{G}_e$$

$$s_{G,r} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (f_r - \bar{f}_2)(\bar{f}_3 - f_r) \geq 0 \\ (\bar{f}_3 - \bar{f}_2)/(f_r - \bar{f}_2) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$s_{G,\ell} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (f_\ell - \bar{f}_2)(\bar{f}_1 - f_\ell) \geq 0 \\ (f_1 - f_2)/(f_\ell - f_2) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



$$s_G = \max\left(\min(s_{G,\ell}, s_{G,r}), 0\right)$$

- If third-order also scale hessian terms:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \bar{f}_e + s_G (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_e)^t \mathbf{G}_e + s_H \left[(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_e)^t \mathbf{H}_e (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_e)^t - \chi \right]$$

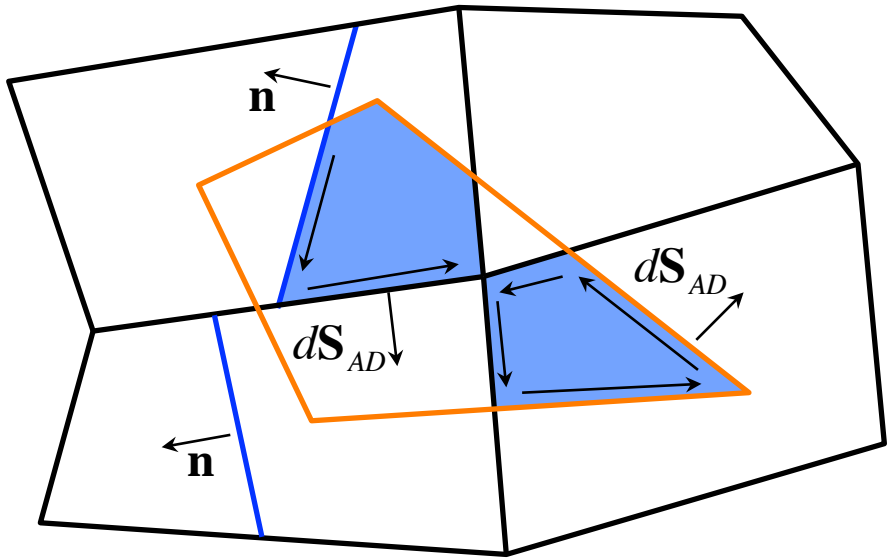
Geometric intersection with Van Leer limiting in two dimensions (3):

- Integrate function over donor-acceptor intersection element and accumulate to acceptor [D83].

$$\bar{f}_A = \frac{1}{A_A}\sum_D \int_{A_D \cap A_A} f_D(\mathbf{x})\, dA = \frac{1}{A_A}\sum_D \oint_{\Gamma_{AD}} \mathbf{g}_D(\mathbf{x})\, d\mathbf{S}_{AD}$$

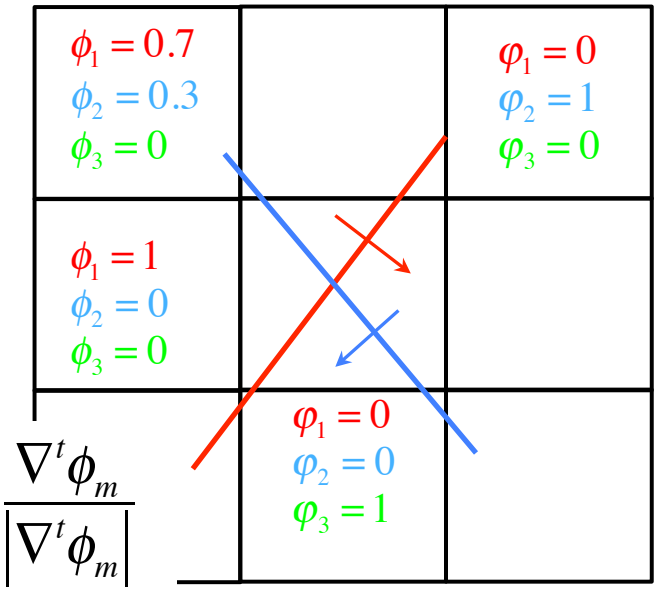
$$\nabla^t \mathbf{g}_D(\mathbf{x}) \equiv f_D(\mathbf{x})$$

- Further restrict integral to filled region of donor mesh.

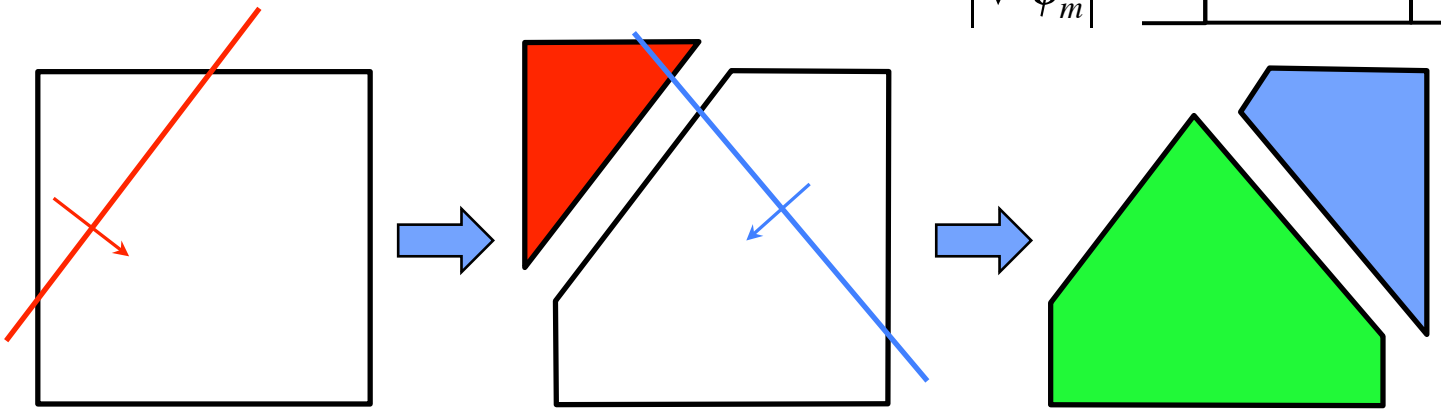


Use interface reconstruction rather than level-set approach: [DVMR08]

- Interfaces rebuilt after remap step.
- Using VOF approach:
  - Compute material volume-fraction gradients.
  - Reposition interface along normal to match volume.
  - Remove material from cell.



$$\mathbf{n}_m = \frac{\nabla^t \phi_m}{|\nabla^t \phi_m|}$$



Explicit Central Difference discretization requires care for stability …

$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{a}^n = \mathbf{f}_{int}^n + \mathbf{f}_c$$

- lumped mass matrix with uniform partitioning of element mass to nodes [MRMCB08]

$$\mathbf{M}^e = \left(\rho^e A^e V_f^e / 4\right)\mathbf{I}_{8\times 8}$$

- matched with gradient operator mean quadrature [SAB06]

$$\bar{\mathbf{B}} = \int_{\Omega_e} \mathbf{B}\, d\Omega \Big/ A_e$$

- and constraint enforcement between XFEM interfaces:

$$\mathbf{f}_c = ?$$

We understand the issues but use “node-segment-like” lagrange multipliers…

… in an attempt to:

- minimize interpenetration of XFEM interfaces,
- and retain a finite stable time-step.

• Other options for explicit XFEM:

- Merge (small time step) [VB06]
- Mortar lagrange multiplier (not LBB for XFEM)
- Penalty (overlap, mass modifications) [DLZRM10]
- Nitsche’s (overlap, mass modifications) [AHD11]
- Vital Vertices LM (quad robustness) [BMW09, HAD11]

… so we use it anyway for it’s practicality and economy.

Forward Increment Lagrange Multiplier approach [CTK91] …

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M} & \Delta t\mathbf{G}^t \\ \mathbf{G} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}^{n+1/2} \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}^n \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

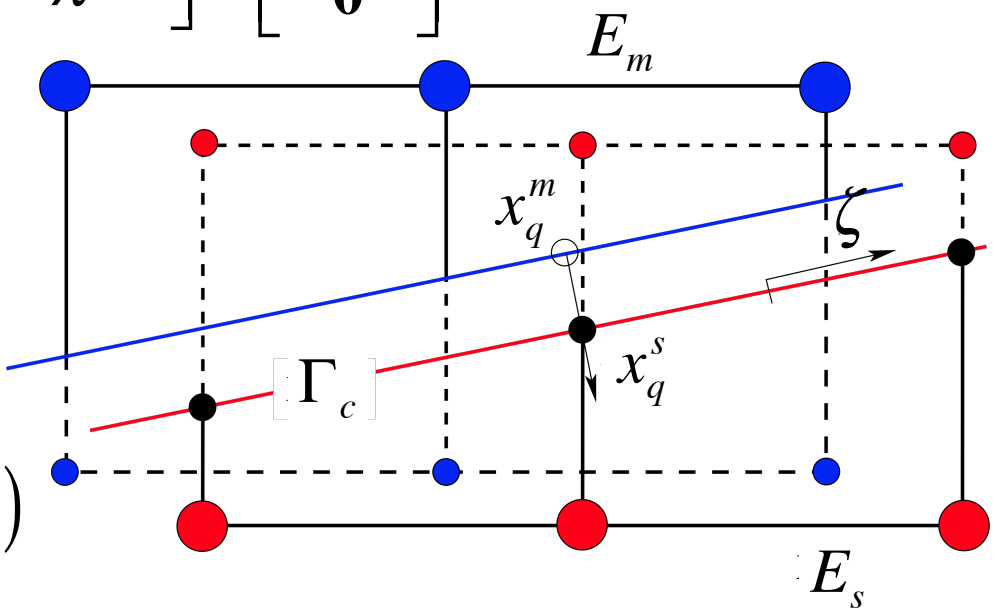
Algorithm:

$$\mathbf{v}_0^{n+1/2} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{f}^n$$

$$\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{v}_i^{n+1/2}$$

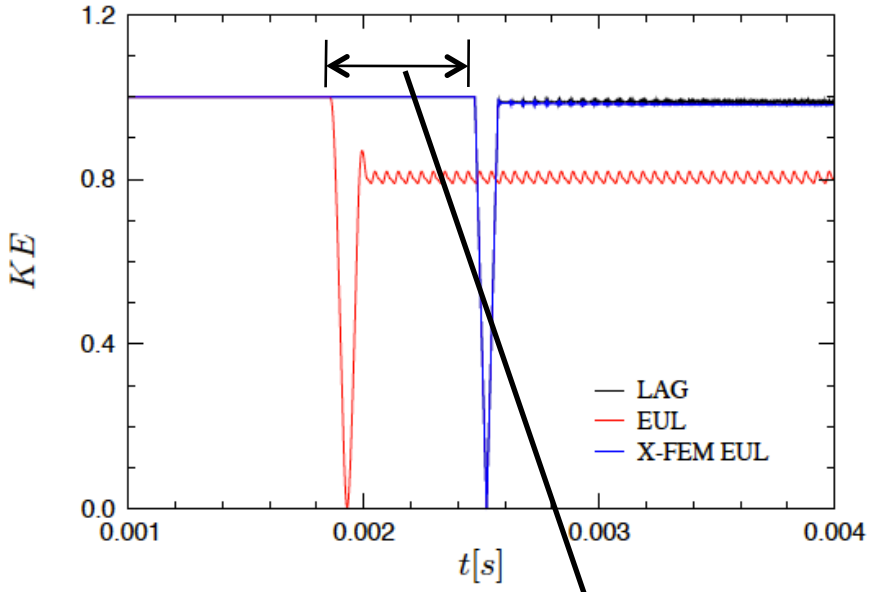
$$\lambda_{i+1} = \lambda_i + \mathbf{H}\mathbf{r}_i \quad \mathbf{H} \approx \left(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{M}^{-1}\mathbf{G}^t\right)$$

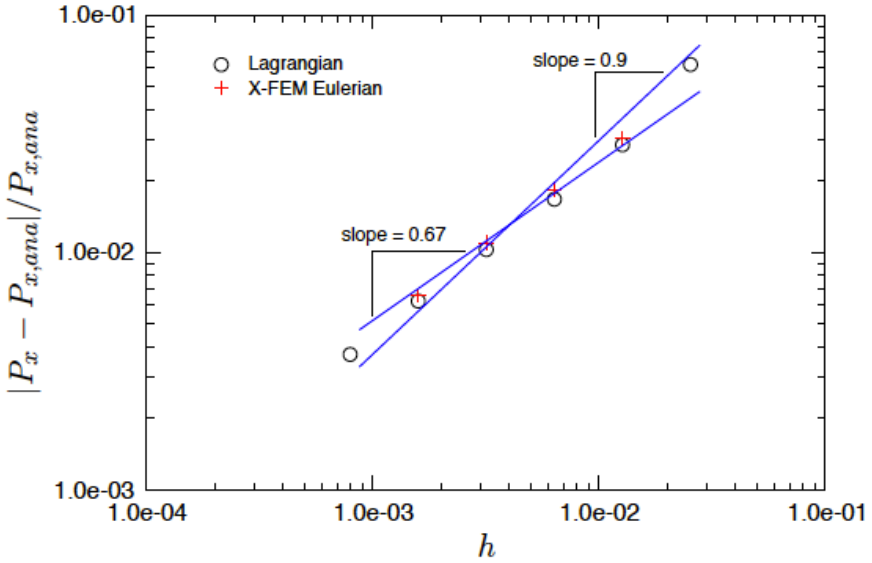
$$\mathbf{v}_{i+1}^{n+1/2} = \mathbf{M}^{-1}\left(\mathbf{f}^n - \Delta t\mathbf{G}^t\lambda_{i+1}\right)$$

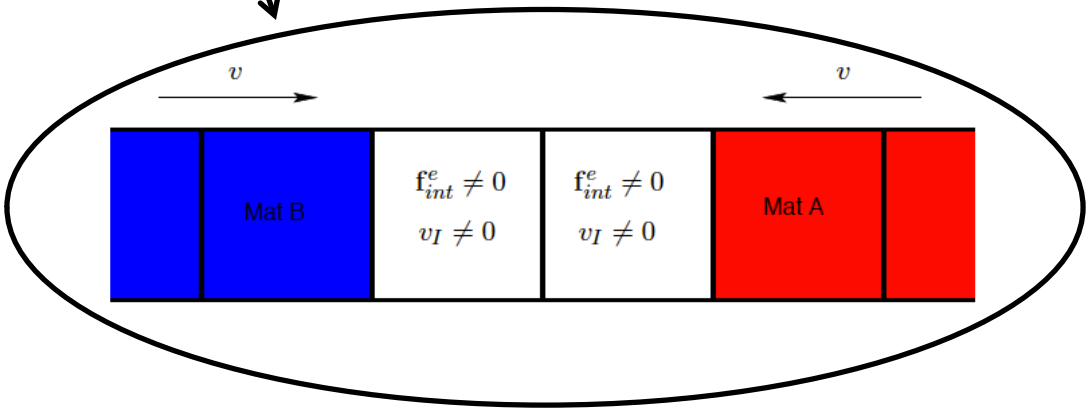


No additional limitations to stable time step [DLZRM10,VMR10]

Provides enhanced results for simple one-dimensional problem [CTK91]…

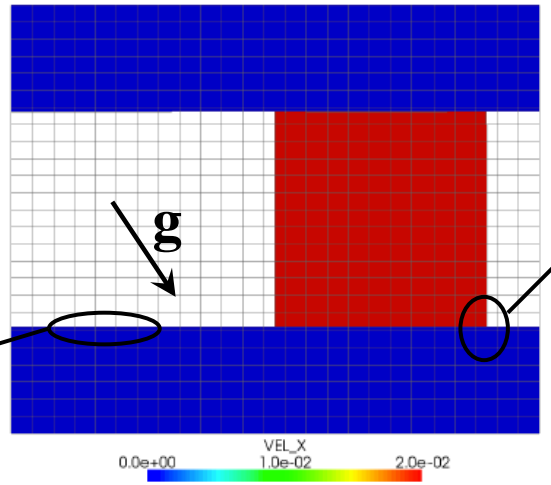






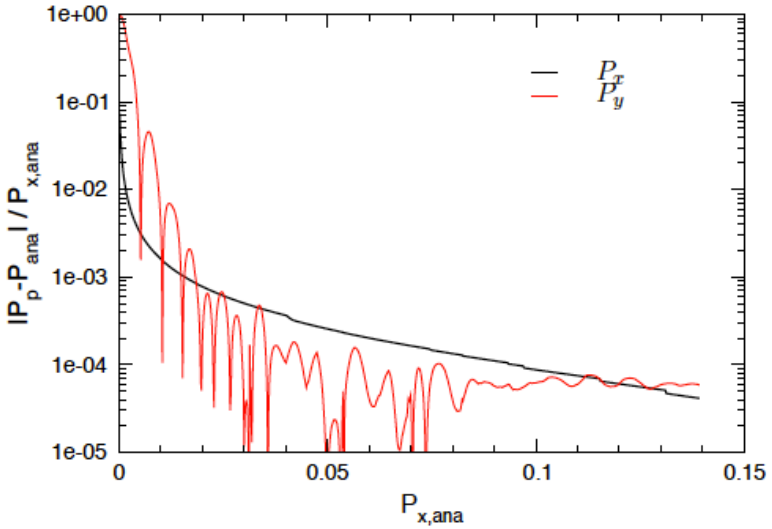
… and simple two-dimensional problems …

"Rigid" block sliding frictionlessly between "rigid" platens.



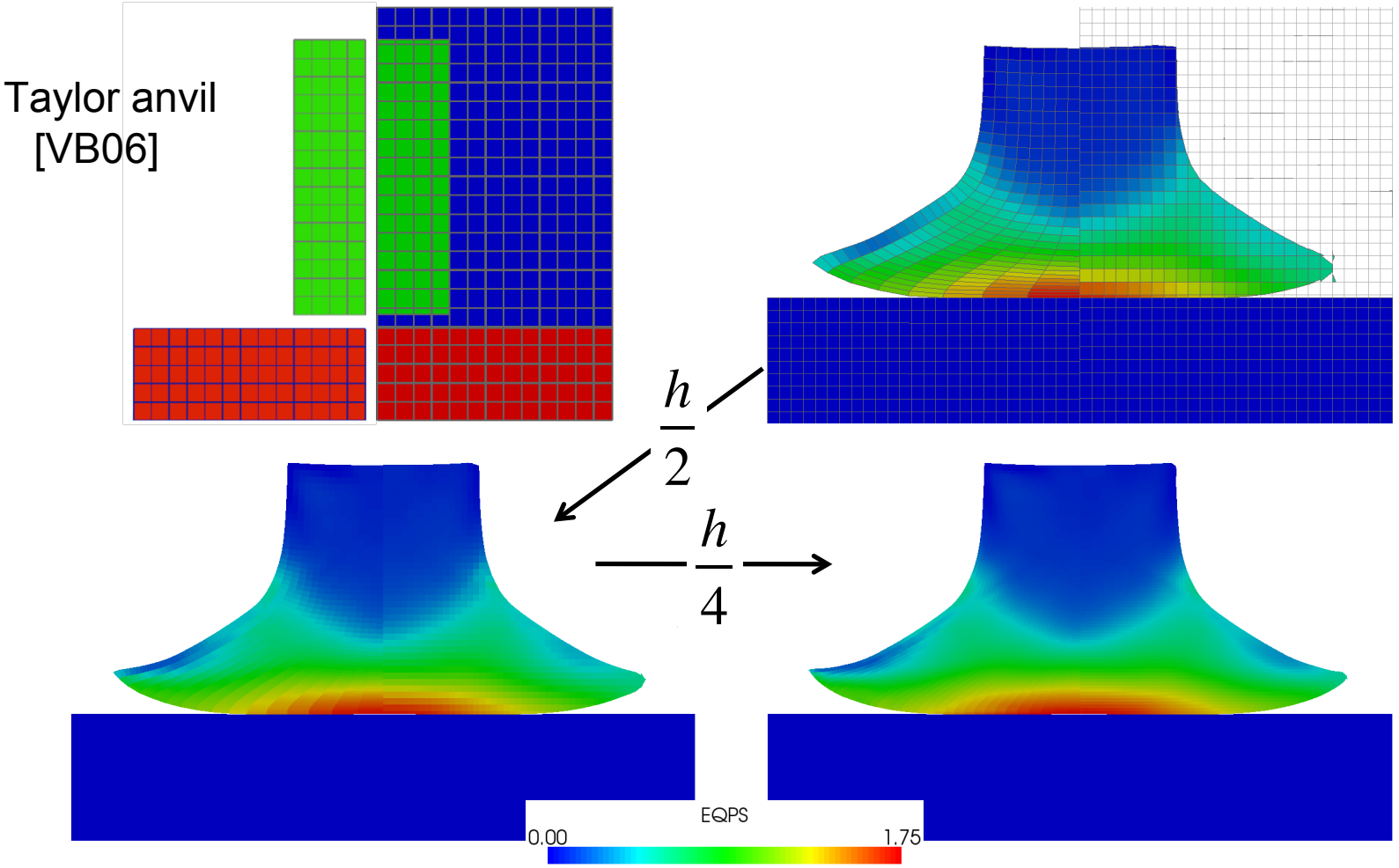
3 material cells

material not mesh-aligned

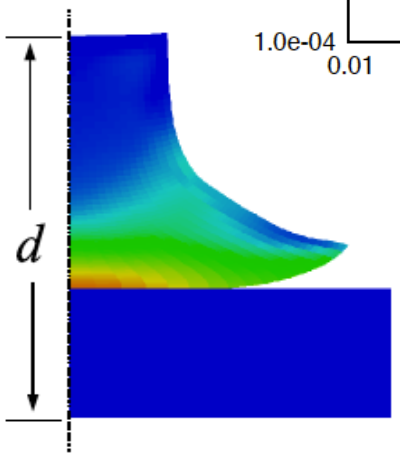


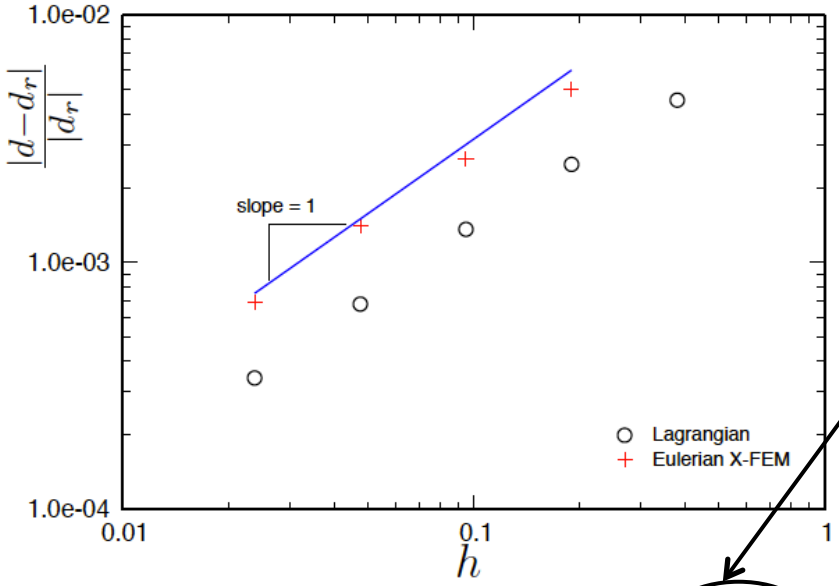
Excellent agreement for momentum compared to analytical solution.

… and accuracy comparable to Lagrangian for more complex problems …

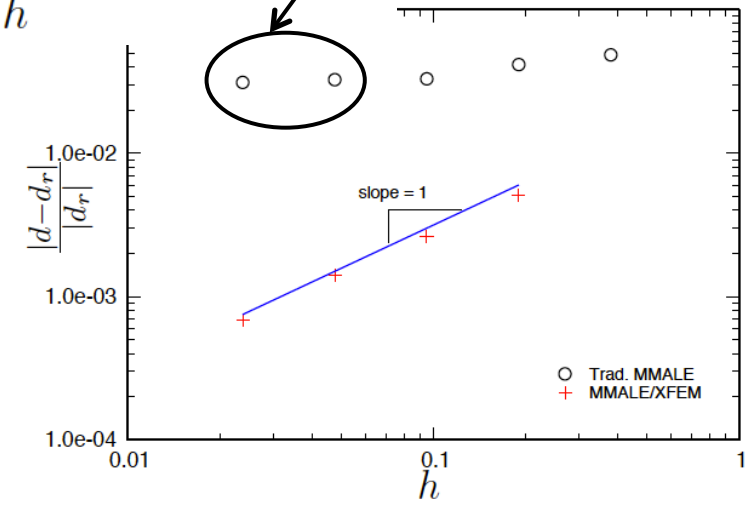


… as well as comparable rates of convergence …



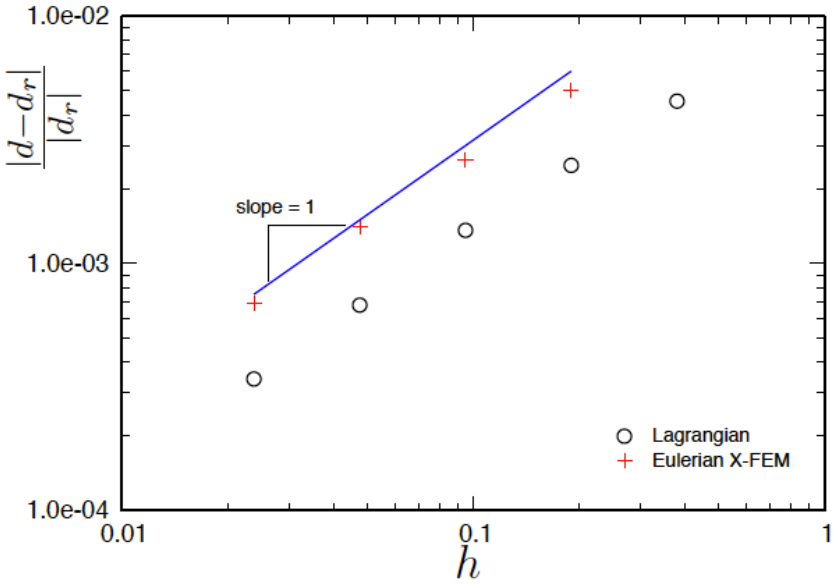


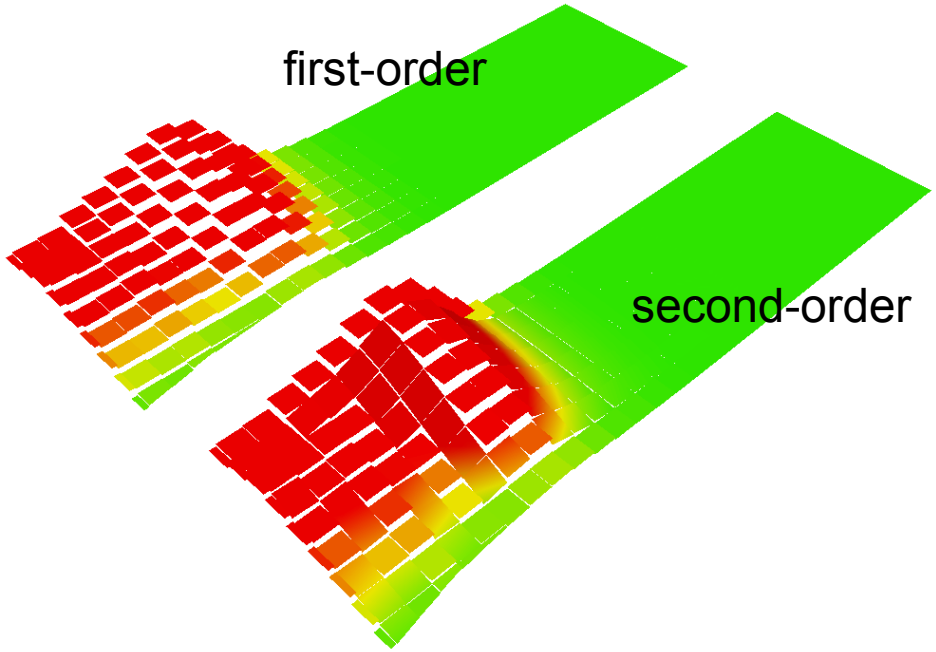
Standard eulerian converges to a different solution.



For this problem remap order has little effect on accuracy/rate-of-convergence …

Convergence in height for first- and second-order remap.

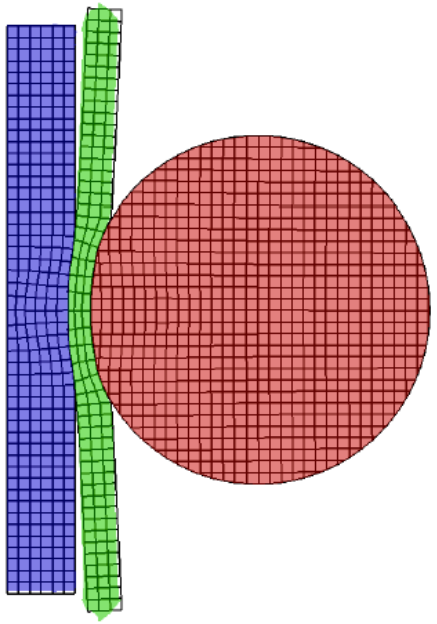




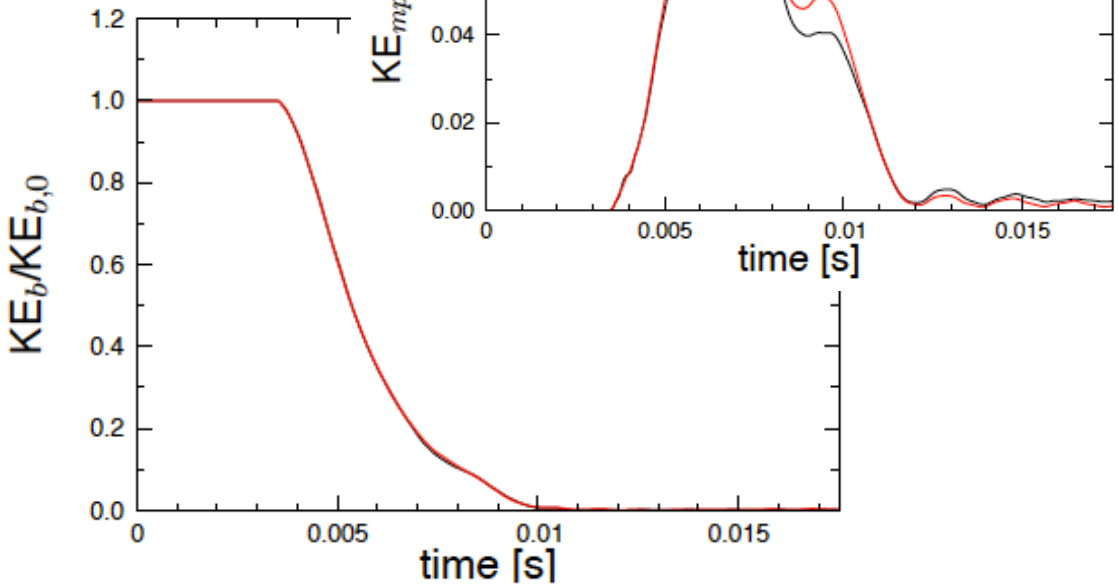
Density reconstructions at early time.

More complicated problems demonstrate the utility/advantages of the approach …

Whipple Shield used in satellite protection.



Lagrangian: black mesh
Eulerian X-FEM: painted



Low-velocity impact preditions compare well.

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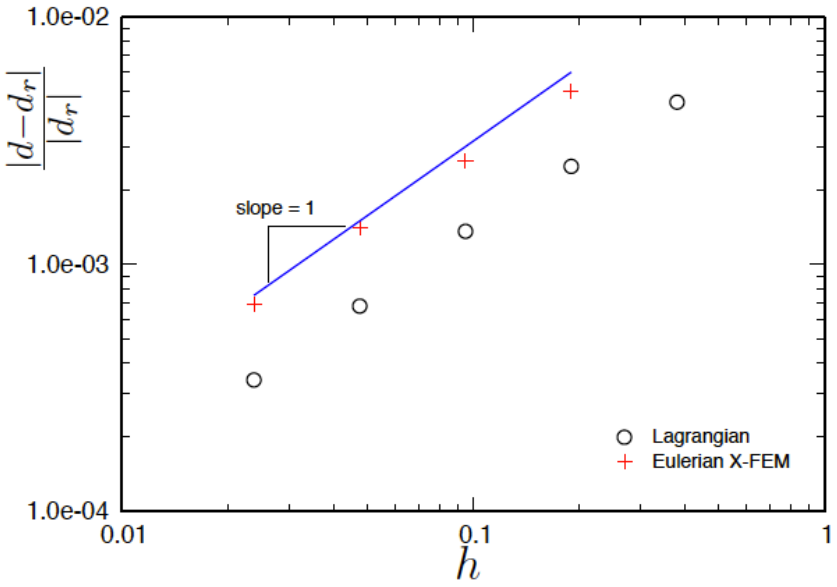

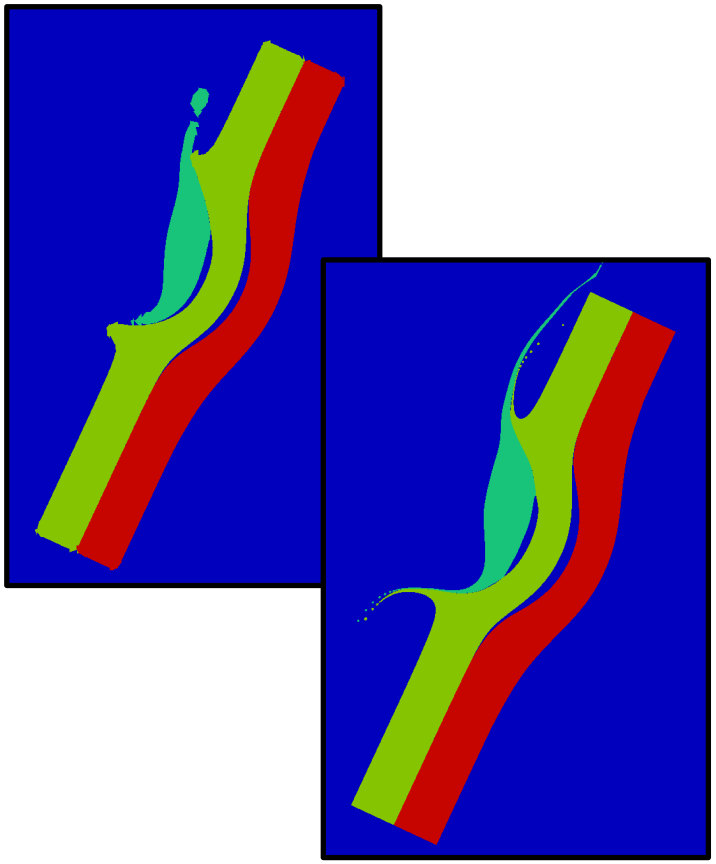

High-velocity impact difficult for lagrangian and unrealistic for eulerian are possible with XFEM.

Conclusions:

- Developing capability to more accurately treat multi-material cells in an “operator-split” ALE context.
- Capability builds on existing ALE infrastructure.
- Uses XFEM ideas to provide provide unique kinematics for each material in a cell.
- Uses interface reconstruction rather than level-set ideas to address conservation and complex interface intersections.
- Employs higher-order, conservative remapping algorithms. Advantages are unclear at this point.
- Demonstrates good convergence/accuracy for problems investigated here.

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